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## FRONT PAGE NOTES

**ORGANIZATION PHOTOS** for the Fortress will be taken tonight and Wednesday night from 7 to 10. Sign-up outside of the caf. Contact Paul Everding at 7210 for more information.

**WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH** celebration will continue tonight at 8 in Buhr Lounge. La Negra Karin will perform Latin American and Caribbean music.

**CAMPUS AEROBICS** will be held tonight at 9 in the P.E. Complex. They will be held on Tuesday at 9:30 p.m., Wednesday at 6 p.m., Thursday at 9 p.m. and Sunday at 8 p.m. This schedule will remain until Tour Week.

**CHEERLEADING SELECTION** informational meeting will be held tonight at 9 in Knights Gymnasium. All interested students are welcome.

**TUESDAY'S CONVOCATION** at 9:30 a.m. in Neumann Auditorium will feature Assistant Professor of Religion Fred Strickert, the recipient of the 1994 Student Award for Teaching Excellence. His speech is titled "My Deep Gladness."

**TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY** will be held at 9:30 in Danforth Chapel.

**CHAPEL** on Wednesday will be led by Intern Pastor Lynne Campbell. It will follow the "Matins" worship.

**TRI BETA MEETING** will be held Wednesday at 8 p.m. in BHS room 202. Officer elections and plans for next year will be discussed.

## Housing sign-ups cause angst for students, Residential Life

by Brian L. Fiser

Problems for students signing up for The Residence, Manors and off-campus housing last week caused some to question Residential Life policies.

Seven members of the women's cross country team said they weren't fairly considered for housing in The Residence.

The team members said they may have been denied a suite because they participate in the same extracurricular activity.

The group includes Amy Sandquist, '96, and cross country runners Esther Dubec, '96; Holly Good, '96; Jolene Heise, '96; Tammy Hildebrand, '96; Angie Knips, '97; Lea Lucas, '96; and Anne Wilcox, '97.

They met with Pete Armstrong, director of residential life, last week after being denied. They asked him about the student handbook's policy on non-discrimination.

Armstrong said he assured the women that their participation in cross country was not the reason they weren't accepted.

But according to the group, Char Tjaden, assistant director of residential life, said part of the decision was based on past cross-country team experiences.

Tjaden said the women may have misunderstood her because she was the first to inform them about

not being selected.

Tjaden said the association with the team was, "a concern but not a consideration," and that she was the only member of the selection team that expressed that concern.

Tjaden said she was concerned that the women would be living, doing a project and running cross country together.

"There would be no other outlets for them," Tjaden said, "if something happens in the suite it affects the other aspects."

Armstrong said, "Historically, we have had problems where personal relationships have disintegrated to the point where the projects haven't been done."

But the cross country members said they feel they have shown their ability to work together through their cross country successes.

"We felt hurt, because we feel we have done a good job of representing the cross country team and this school," Lucas said.

### Squatting in the Manors

Underclassmen currently living in the Manors found they do not have priority to keep their room.

Marty Fredericks, '96, and Dave Leonhart, '96, moved to Ottersberg Manor at the end of Fall Term but were denied squatter's rights for next year.

Armstrong said Residen-



**HOME SWEET HOME**—A potential suite of seven women cross-country members will not be living in The Residence next year because Residential Life staff say they would be too sheltered.

tial Life tries to break housing registration into categories, giving seniors first priority.

Leonhart said that all Manors residents—no matter what age—should have squatter's rights.

"You go through the right channels to get the room, then Residential Life says you don't have any priorities to live there," he said.

Armstrong disagreed. "If we try to be sensitive to one group it seems we are being insensitive to others. We are dealing with more demand than we have supply."

### Off-campus housing

Some students are concerned about off-campus housing.

To date, 39 students have been granted off-campus

housing while 25 have been denied. All approved are seniors. All juniors who applied—as well as some seniors—were denied.

Aaron Johnson, who will be a fifth-year senior, was denied off-campus housing because he did not know about sign-ups and turned in his application one day late.

Armstrong said students who apply for off-campus housing are ranked and prioritized by grade point and credits earned. Applicants must have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher.

Armstrong said the number of students who want to live on campus determines the number of students accepted for off-campus housing. This year 78% want to live on campus.

## Gang violence gets local

by Michael D. Evans

Recent recruitment attempts and crimes allegedly committed by Waterloo gang members have spread to Waverly and Wartburg, said Waverly Police Chief Art Simpson.

Simpson said gangs pose a real problem and they have caused some intimidation and fear in town, but he said early action by the Waverly Police Department has prevented the situation from getting out of hand.

Simpson said gangs, such as the Black Disciples, see Waverly as a place to get new members and expand their drug operations.

Gangs target junior and senior high students for recruitment, the chief said. The police are monitoring 12 Waverly students who have known gang connections and two others who have officially joined a gang.

Simpson said the rumor that gang members must rape someone for ini-

tiation is false. He said there is no evidence of a policy requiring recruits to commit a violent crime for initiation. He said most cases of rapes and drive-by shootings are random, not specifically targeted by gang members.

"Crimes change with whatever the mood or the day is," Simpson said. "Most crimes in Waverly are dealing with beatings and thefts."

Simpson said a handful of gang members have threatened police, have been held accountable for two beatings in town and are responsible for some minor thefts.

Simpson said there is no evidence that gangs are trying to recruit at the college, but he said Wartburg students could be victims.

Although no major gang crimes have occurred here, he said two coat thefts on campus have been linked to gang-related activity. The coats were later returned.



**CHORUS LINE**—Georgia Sophocleous, '95, Iskandar Melan, '96, and Christi Karydou, '94, perform the Greek dance "Frangosyriani" Sunday during the Culture Day program in the cafeteria.

Photo by Christopher Warmanen



**In Brief**

**MEDIA MANAGEMENT POSITIONS**—The Student Media Committee appointed five students to manage campus media next year. The *Trumpet* will be edited by Kathleen Herzog, '95, in Fall Term and Stephanie Frame, '95, in Winter Term. Herzog will also edit *The Castle*. Dan Scharnhorst, '95, is the KWAR station manager. The new production manager position for Channel 13 will be held by Jennifer Heaney, '95, in Fall Term and Nicole Johanningmeier, '95, in Winter Term. Editor positions for the *Fortress* and *Page* are still open.

**MATH HONOR SOCIETY**—Kappa Mu Epsilon initiated 18 new members into the Wartburg chapter. New members include Lisa Van Dusseldorp, '96; Philip Laube, '96; Jeff Allen, '96; Chad Jennings, '95; Michael Doyle, '95; Scott Davis, '96; Vince Penningroth, '96; Justine Kavle, '95; Laura Nelson, '96; Dr. Daniel Black, assistant professor of physical science; Ryan Huisman, '96; Carl Meyer, '96; Lori Melaas, '96; Dan Freimuth, '96; Julie Preuss, '96; Sara Max, '96; Wendy Ahrendsen, '95; Gretchen Roth, '96; and Adam Sanford, '96.

**CONFIDENTIALITY**—Dr. Donald Cell, professor of economics at Cornell College, spoke Thursday to Wartburg's chapter of the American Association of University Professors. Cell outlined AAUP guidelines on confidentiality in personnel issues and said the balance between the protection of the individual faculty member and the integrity of the non-renewal process is delicate. He said Wartburg's confidentiality policy is "not the norm" and it is more open than most. Cell served on the national AAUP committee on academic freedom and tenure.

**Sunday's debate**

## Candidates agree on major issues

by Amy J. Gehlsen

The two tickets for student body president and vice president agreed on almost every issue at the debate held last night in Buhr Lounge.

The most widely discussed issue between Venus Stacks, '95 and Lisa Rasmusson, '96, and Eric Shifley, '95, and Scott Davis, '96, was the expectations that the candidates would have of the senators if they were elected.

"There are too many senators right now who do not have enough contact with their constituents," Rasmusson said.

The two tickets discussed the fact that many students don't think anything goes on in Senate since they are not informed by their senators.

Stacks and Rasmusson said that their other priorities include temporary improvements to the library, increasing the understanding of

Senate's purpose, and working with Acting for a Cleaner Tomorrow to increase education of environmental concerns.

"We have researched the items in our platform extensively," said Rasmusson. "I don't think there's anything on there that's not reachable."

Shifley and Davis said they want to focus on letting students know where their money is going, better communication between students and administration, and working with CAB to plan more weekend activities on campus.

"We're not saying that we can get all of that done next year," said Shifley. "We just want to get these things initiated and hope that future students will continue them."

Senate elections will be held with Campus Ministry Board elections on Tuesday in the caf line.

## Students run for CMB

by Bradley A. Wood

Campus Ministry Board elections will be held on Tuesday during lunch and supper in the caf line.

Pastor Larry Trachte said he was pleased at the number and quality of candidates showing interest in campus ministry.

Those running for election include Kris Capel, '95, and Dana Scharnhorst, '95, for president, Justin Schaefer, '97, for vice-president, Jennifer Gran, '96, for secretary, Bree Truax, '96, for chaplain, Jonathan Helmke, '96, and Amy Jensen, '95, for special activities chair and Leta Arndt, '97, for worship committee chair.

Presidential candidate Dana Scharnhorst said she "would like to get Campus Ministry Board more involved in campus activities and try to get the campus more involved in ministry."

Presidential candidate Kris Capel said, "I would like all students to feel comfortable participating in campus ministry no matter what their denomination. I'd like campus ministry to reach all students and faculty in some way."

Voters will have their student ID card scanned to register to vote and may vote for both Campus Ministry Board and Student Senate at the same time.

# New buildings to bring Wartburg into optic age

by Michael D. Evans

Wartburg continues pushing from the dark ages to the fiber-optic age.

By fall 1996, students can expect completion of three high-tech classrooms, a redesigned library and the possible return of classrooms to all of Luther Hall, said Dr. James Pence, vice president for academic affairs.

Addition of technology classrooms to Luther Hall has been a priority for the administration in recent years.

"The classrooms are going to give us the opportunity to take the next step into integration of technology and provide us with an opportunity for students to see new perspectives of the classroom environment," Pence said.

Each classroom would have interactive capability, satellite connections and high-tech equipment.

These classrooms, which will be located in a three-story addition to Luther Hall,

are scheduled to be ready for the 1995-96 school year. They will also be home to the Iowa Communications Network, Iowa's fiber optics system.

Pence said one floor of the addition will have an advanced interactive computer lab, and another floor will be designated for the Social Sciences Department.

Dr. Terry Lindell, chair of the History Department, said Wartburg is one of the few small schools using new equipment in the classroom.

"Some of the technology we are using now will be as common as an overhead projector," Lindell said. "It will be essential for professors."

The addition will be connected to the chapel and Fine Arts Center by skywalks, to be done next year. With this new entrance, the road parallel to the FAC will be removed and a parking lot will be made across from the McElroy Communication Arts Center.

Ron Matthias, vice presi-

dent for administration and finance, said the entrance will create a much-needed front door to the campus.

The library will be the next project. The Instructional Resources Committee, responsible for the project, decided to postpone a decision until next year. Pence said this was necessary.

"There is a lot of debate in the world of higher education about how the library of the future will look," Pence said. "Before we make a commitment either way, we need to have better understanding."

He said regardless of whether a new library is built or Engelbrecht Library is renovated, there would need to be more effective use of space.

The library decision will also affect Luther Hall. If a new library is built, administrative offices would be moved to Engelbrecht and Luther Hall would be used only for classrooms.



**SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST**—Jennifer Rube, '94, recovers Thursday from having her blood drawn for the Health and Wellness Center's premier cholesterol-checking event. Yvonne Beam, a nurse from Rohlf Memorial Clinic in Waverly, assists. The event was open to 50 interested students. Photo by Joel Becker

## Cholesterol levels checked

by Pam S. Myres

Cholesterol testing on campus took place for the first time on Thursday.

"This is preventative medicine at its best," said Rohlf Memorial Clinic nurse Yvonne Beam.

At students' request, the Health and Wellness Center sponsored the screening for the first 50 sophomores, juniors or seniors to sign up. A \$1 fee was charged to cover providing a nurse.

Testing was not offered to first-year students because they were required to be tested before coming to school last fall. This was the first year a cholesterol test was required on the health evaluation form for Wartburg.

Thursday's pilot run gave students who probably hadn't been tested before a chance to do so. The Health and Wellness Center staff said they hope to provide another testing time in the future.

"Testing is a good idea because it shows that students are making healthy choices for a healthy lifestyle," said Ann Mann, '96, health and wellness paraprofessional.

Dan Digmann, '95, was just one of the students to have cholesterol levels tested.

"I eat a lot of unhealthy foods and I wanted to see if I need to start cutting down," he said. Digmann also said cholesterol testing is a step in the right direction toward a healthier lifestyle.

According to a pamphlet available in the Health and Wellness Center, cholesterol is a fatty substance necessary for proper nerve function. The body needs a certain amount of cholesterol to function properly, but too much can be unhealthy. Recommended cholesterol levels are under 200 mg/dL.

High cholesterol, which can be hereditary, is a major risk factor for heart problems because it clogs arteries. A person should start having cholesterol tests at age 20.

Test results will be mailed within a week to those who participated in the cholesterol screening.

Those who tested over 200 may talk to Randi Ellefson, director of health services. Ellefson said she would help students lower their cholesterol levels.

If caught early, high cholesterol levels can be reduced by starting a low-fat diet and exercising.





**SHAKE RATTLE AND ROLL**—NiCole Bechtel, '95, looks on as Dan Digmann, '95, throws a hula hoop around Doug Vogel, '96, and Matt Staff, '94. The hula hoop contest was just one of the events in Wednesday's '50s night in the caf.  
 Photo by Joel Becker

## Caf hosts '50s night

by Brian L. Fiser

Students who ate in the cafeteria on Wednesday evening received a little taste of the '50s.

Student Managers and Food Council sponsored the "Shake, Rattle, and Roll" '50s Night. The meal that took students back in time had a genuine look of the past. Plenty of rolled jeans, tight white T-shirts, greased-back hair styles, ponytails, poodle skirts and servers on roller skates created a '50s atmosphere.

Jan Hyde, food service student coordinator, said the event is a nice change because this time of year everyone is getting a little tired of school.

"Everybody has a chance to cut loose and live the 50's again," Hyde said. "It's one of the more fun times."

Hyde also said it's nice to see the student body get involved, and that the event

makes the staff feel good about their jobs again.

While students were "Rockin' Around the Clock," to the tunes provided by Ted Batemon, some had the opportunity to participate in various contests including blowing bubble gum, doing the Twist, and hula hooping.

NiCole Bechtel, '96, caf student manager and Food Council member, said the event was successful. Bechtel was the emcee for the evening and made sure the contests ran smoothly.

"It went really well after we got people on the stage," Bechtel said. "I think we all needed a break from the usual."

One of the big hits of the evening was the snow cone stand. One student suggested it be added to the regular menu in the caf. A '50s-style motorcycle, courtesy of Chad Klunder, '95, was on display.

## Seniors surpass record in class giving program

by Jodie L. Heilskov

The Class of 1994 has raised over \$38,750 for the Senior Class Gift Program and are continuing to solicit class members.

They have passed the class of 1993 by \$1,869, making them the current leaders of the most money ever raised in the program.

According to Doug Bowman, director of the annual fund, over 148 pledges—63% of the class—have been received. Class members are still being contacted for possible pledges.

Bowman said the Senior Class Gift Program is a powerful way to show how much students value their Wartburg experience and invest in the future of their degrees by

making a monetary pledge.

Pledged funds will be collected over a five-year period.

The money is designated for the annual fund and the class will identify a project they would like to support at their five-year reunion.

Possible projects include funding student scholarships, enhancing co-curricular activities, investing in quality professors and good teaching, purchasing computer and classroom equipment, and providing library support.

This program is unique, Bowman said, because it is a student-led effort by 66 senior volunteers who started soliciting donations in November.

One of the volunteers, Larissa Schultz, '94, said she pledged because she wanted

to give back something to Wartburg and to have a say in where to direct the money.

"I also pledged so I won't receive any calls from the Knightcallers for five years," Schultz said.

According to Co-chairperson Martin Timm, '94, ten pledging teams compete for prizes sponsored by Joe's Knight Hawk of \$125 to the first-place team and \$75 to the second-place team.

He said Jodie Harper's team is currently in first place with 23 pledges totaling \$6,400 and Carl Bump's team in second place with 19 pledges totaling \$5,125.

Timm said the pledges will be presented to President Robert Vogel at the Senior Pig Roast on May 18.

### Hawley relates Waverly work

## Peace movement celebrated

by Pam S. Myres

Students paid attention to the issue of peace Wednesday night when the Students for Peace and Justice sponsored a peace rally.

The country is relatively calm right now, but co-leader Wendy Wiegmann said, "This is the best time to hold a rally, when there doesn't appear to be a major situation. It will help us stay out of war."

Students also signed petitions supporting the release of prisoners from Mexico and calling for gun control in the United States.

With guidance from speaker Earlene Hawley, who helped form the Waverly peace group, students focused on peace in America.

Hawley talked about the history of peace through the 1980s.

"It is terribly important to say what we think and that we should try to look beneath the surface and examine policies," Hawley said.

The rally also featured songs of peace led by Andy Arnold, '94, readings from the Students for Peace and Justice and a performance by the band Sweatlodge.

Sweatlodge performed two songs. "Homeless America" was written by Mike

Jensen, '95, about his misunderstanding of why America has given money to Somalia, without concentrating first on domestic affairs.

Their second song, "The Beauty of Grey," explored the struggle between races.

"If people thought of things in grey, all colors would mix," Jensen said.



**LET THERE BE PEACE**—Andy Arnold, '94, and Matt Pries, '95, participate in the peace rally Wednesday night.  
 Photo by Christopher Warmanen

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## Senate Stats

**THE WARTBURG PLAYERS'** made a request for \$125, which was approved by Senate on Thursday.

**THE INTERNATIONAL CLUB** has requested money to bring a Spanish singing group to Wartburg during May Term. Senate read the resolution on Thursday and will vote on it at this week's Senate meeting.

**SOAP DISPENSERS IN RESIDENCE HALLS** continue to foster controversy in Senate discussions. On Thursday Senate read a resolution which would allow dispensers in all residence halls. Senate will vote on the resolution at a later date.

**TUESDAY'S CONVOCATION** provided discussion in Senate on Thursday. Senators are to encourage students to attend the event. Dr. Fred Strickert, recipient of the Student Award for Teaching Excellence, will speak on "My Deep Gladness" at 9:30 a.m. in Neumann Auditorium.



**Editorial**

**Cultural integration challenges everyone**

Wartburg is desperately trying to become a multicultural environment. Unfortunately, its efforts often aren't successful.

Students still eat in distinct groups in the cafeteria and international students are sometimes unwillingly plugged into groups for class projects.

The problem is that we expect everyone to become intimate friends overnight. The whole process of accepting and trusting one another takes time. A lot of time and effort. Think of how far we've come since the '60s. Think how far we have yet to go.

Next year's paraprofessionals discussed problems facing international students Friday at their retreat in Cedar Falls. While the experience of first-year students is traumatic, that of international students was said to be "1,000 times worse."

We begin to accept and learn about others by attending events such as yesterday's Cultural Day in the cafeteria.

If only we all could interact as well in small groups as many international students did on stage. We will, and many people already do. It just takes a conscious effort on everyone's part to sing "one song in one world."

**CHAOS** by Brian Shuster



"You mean no one brought rope again? It's a good thing for us I carry this stapler!"

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**Column**

**No pain no gain: an adage outdated from the Ice Age**

"Snow is raunchy. Especially at the end of March."  
—Wartburg Trumpet News Editor Suzanne Behnke, '97, crystallized the thoughts of millions around the world.

Someday, when I'm in charge of everything, I'm going to make it a crime punishable by death for water to freeze.

But, cry the evil heathen opposers of friction, snow is pretty! True enough, but so are flowers, and they don't get your feet wet, don't make you slip and fall and haven't yet given anyone I know about frost-bite.

But, they cry again, snow is fun to pack into rock-hard balls and throw at people! Granted, but why not just throw the rocks in the first place?

But, they persistently cry once more, it doesn't hurt when you fall down in snow! A very good point, and the very reason that the Society for the Chronically Clumsy endorses winter heartily. Overall, though, it's not a fair trade: it hurts less when you fall in snow, but it's much easier to fall in snow.

Well, they finally say, you're just a wimp.

And here we come to one of the most curious and frightening aspects of Western thought. It is a firmly and proudly held European and therefore American belief that doing something you hate and which causes you physical discomfort will somehow improve you as a person. It's particularly a societal phenomenon directed at males; all phrases involving "like a man" tend to involve pain. "Stand under that falling truck and take it like a man." "Anesthetic? No. I'll take it like a man."

I personally would like to hear some other options. Are there other ways I can take "it" that allow me to move out of the way of the truck? Why must being a man necessarily involve pain? The neanderthal days when it was necessary to stand before charging saber-tooth kitties and accept dismemberment to save a woman's life are past. In today's world, accepting dismemberment to save a woman's life would be the most heinous insult you could offer, nigh unto opening a door.



**Thanks For Sharing**  
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by Charles D. Rod

We need a redefinition of manly. To call someone "manly" should be changed to mean "One who believes in reading good books, supporting environmental causes, sitting in comfy chairs and generally avoiding pain." I personally bet that those who pattern their lives after Clint Eastwood die, on average, much sooner than those who pattern themselves after Don Knotts.

It's not simply a gender-related thing, either. How many times have you heard someone of Irish descent insist that drinking was a prerequisite for their happiness because their ancestors came from a little island east of England?

I am of Norwegian descent myself. Scandinavia is a harsh little corner of the world. It's always cold, the land is mountainey and there are bare few McDonald's (plural of McDonald's). Scandinavians, therefore, tend to have a healthy sense of self-abuse. I heard many stories as a small boy about my pioneer forefathers. Apparently, these hardy souls walked 16 miles to school everyday—whether there was school or not. Uphill. In four feet of snow and minus 70 degree weather. I heard stories about them when I would try to sideslip the unpleasant as a child. "Dad, will you drive me to school?" "Charles, Charles, Charles. Let me tell you about your pioneer forefathers..."

That's probably how the Vikings got started. Some bright young Norské got sick of being a pioneer forefather and said "Hey. Things are easy down in the mainland. Let's go kill 'em."

And so it continues. In our drive to make ourselves miserable we pollute the air, dump chemicals in the ground, steal from each other, kill each other, and elect Clinton. Meanwhile, a select core of the happiness-loving are waiting in the background for a time when sallying forth and spreading the word of happiness will be as pleasant as possible.

*This week's RSS indicates that all people everywhere believe snow to be raunchy, especially in late March.*

**Column**

**Senior college citizens have greatest potential for change**

Only 55 days 'till we graduate, seniors! Allow me to sound like an reminiscent old woman for a moment as I say, Golly! Time has flown.

Not so long ago we were the freshmen (I mean, first-year students) who pushed on the "pull" doors and pulled on the "push" doors. We were the ones actually willing to get out of bed for Outfly and hustle to the Victory Bell. We were the ones who thought the washing machines needed two quarters to work. And we were the ones with the biggest phone bills home.

We've come a long way.

We have lived through the Wartburg Plan: we have survived NASTY, P & S and Human Ex. We've experienced four Homecomings, four Chinese New Years, three housing sign-ups and four Outflies (unless you don't count the one on a Tuesday). We've survived countless middle-of-the-night fire drills, cold showers and Players' Theatre meals.

Perhaps I just have a bad case of senioritis, but I believe that we know more about the inside goings-on of Wartburg than any faculty member, administrator or any other students. And we have learned to care for this school—how can you not?

Yet we seniors are being tempted with the "I'm outta here" mind set. Regarding the tuition increase, "Well, I don't have to pay it anymore." As to a new



**A Bit O Whatnot**  
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by Jenny O. Schulz

library (or lack of), "I'm just glad I don't have to stick around." But WAIT! Let's not throw away our hard-earned knowledge.

This is our big chance to make things happen at Wartburg. I know that *all* seniors (except for those rare optimists who can look at a dry glass and believe that it's full) have something they would like to change about Wartburg.

Granted, some things will never change. President Vogel will probably never dye his hair hot pink no matter how wild he gets on Outfly. The cafeteria orange juice will never quite taste like real orange juice. There will never be a skywalk from the Student Union to the Manors to shield us from the Clinton field wind tunnel. "D" lot will never be any closer to campus. And Luther will always annoy us with their tasteless T-shirts.

However, there are bizillions of things that can change and that I hear fellow seniors bemoaning every day. Think of the computer lab, the library, housing sign-ups, the P.E. Complex, Wartburg's liberal arts (i.e. lack of), CAB events and the Artist Series. Surely from this list, there is something that you would like to change. At a small school, we students have power to make those changes. Seniors, take charge. Let's not give up on Wartburg just because we're leaving.



# Students support Stacks/Rasmusson for student body leadership positions

With student body officer elections approaching, we need to focus on the needs of Wartburg College. Many students agree that the library, the student union and environmental concerns are the needs that we feel should be addressed.

Venus Stacks and Lisa Rasmusson focus on those needs in their platform. They are dedicated to: look into temporary improvements in the library, discuss a possible increase in resource availability in the library, continue to push for an expansion to the cafeteria, combine efforts with ACT to provide more effective recycling methods.

Venus and Lisa are both strong candidates for these positions. They hold a genuine concern for other students and for Wartburg College. They have the desire, ability, confidence and leadership experience to accomplish the needs of their fellow students.

Cast your vote for Venus Stacks and Lisa Rasmusson for student body president and vice president.

Jenny Bye, '95

Having the opportunity to work with Venus Stacks and Lisa Rasmusson this year in Student Senate, I have witnessed their leadership skills in action.

Venus, acting through her executive Senate position, has done a commendable job as a liaison between the administration and the student body. Likewise, Lisa has interacted with the administration about issues and events which directly affect student life as the chairperson of the Student Relations Committee.

In addition to their experience with the administration, Venus and Lisa have also proven to be in touch with students' concerns. Both candidates are resident assistants as well as being involved in a variety of campus activities.

With these points in mind, I am confident that Venus and Lisa will be effective leaders in expressing and promoting the student body's interests and need as president and vice president of Student Senate.

Cory McDonald, '96

In the heat of the upcoming Student Senate elections, students have one of the few opportunities to choose a competent person for student body president and vice president. Both Venus Stacks and Lisa Rasmusson exemplify this competency.

I know Venus both as a friend and fellow RA and I am positive that she will serve as an excellent student body president. Venus has shown genuine concern and sought solutions for many problems. As a professional, she is well organized, responsible and fair. Serving as an administrative ombudsperson in the Senate executive has provided Venus with experience that qualifies her for the presidency.

Furthermore, I think it is time for a minority student to get in the the leading position. Minority students' concerns have been represented in the past in a fair and decent way. However, it is hard to perceive the position of a minority student without experiencing minority treatment.

Exercise your right to vote! I am positive that all students will be fairly represented and equally heard by Venus Stacks and Lisa Rasmusson.

Christi Karydou, '94

What are your feelings about how housing sign-ups were handled?

*About Face*



**Jason Clapp, '95**  
"They need to explain the whole process and make sure seniors get in before underclassmen."



**Laurie Craven, '95**  
"It didn't bother me because I squatted for my room in the Manors."



**Jon Helmke, '96**  
"There has to be a better lottery system than the one they have now."



**Michelle Lucas, '97**  
"I don't think it was fair. It would have been perfect if I would have gotten a single room."



**Anna Nielsen, '94**  
"It was set up to keep out the people who slipped through the cracks last year."

## Column

# Visiting the Writing Center relieves end-of-term stress

It's getting to be that time of year again: inter-library loan is working on overdrive, White-house computer lab is filled to capacity from 7 a. m. to 2 a. m., and stress-levels have hit an all-time high. Welcome, Wartburg, to the end of Winter Term.

Tests and papers are top priority in your minds right now. There are times when you wish you could give even a little of your work away to someone else—then you could handle it. Wouldn't it be a miracle if you could just take your work to a magical land where little elves would aid you, saving you hours of painful labor and stress?

Abracadabra—this is your lucky day! There is such a place, although it isn't mystical, and no elves are on staff just yet.

The Wartburg Writing Center's consultants aren't magicians, but we can ease the end-of-semester paper burden. During our half-hour tutorials, trained writing consultants help you strengthen your papers in audience, organization and development. We can help you generate ideas for your paper, get over "writer's block," or even simply find the perfect word in a phrase.

There are a few things we won't do, however. We won't allow you to drop off your paper and come



**Knight Beat**

Heidi Hoerschelman  
writing consultant

back after supper, and we won't do all the work. We aren't an "A" paper factory, and we certainly aren't The Answer Source.

We believe every client has the capacity and responsibility to learn. Our business is to work with you to improve the quality of your paper. As Writing Center Director Vicki Edelnant says, two heads are better than one. The Writing Center helps students write papers by offering them a place to sound off with their peers, before the papers reach the professor. This helps faculty, too, for though we don't guarantee perfection, we are confident that we enhance what students have already done and help improve clarity and cogency.

So, what are you waiting for? Students, come to the Wartburg Writing Center today and lighten the paper load! Faculty, send your students and ease the grading headache! We may not have wands, but you won't believe the magic we can work together!

The Wartburg Writing Center, located in Luther Hall 201, is open from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday-Thursday and from 9 a.m. to noon Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call 352-8552 or sign up on the bulletin board outside 201 to make an appointment. Drop-ins also welcome.

## Wartburg West Letter

# Problems plague Denver city life

City life is all I hoped it would be and more. Moving from Waverly to Denver—a city of two million—was quite a culture shock. There are so many things here to experience, I am afraid I'm not going to have time to do them all. The opportunities right outside my door are endless and so are all the problems of the city.

The problem that surprised me the most was the pollution. The difference in the air from Iowa—"the land of clean air" to Denver—"the land of smog" was amazing. On good days I can look out my window and see the mountains. But on a bad day I look out and see a blanket of grey hanging in the air.

TV stations are responsible for letting people know if it is a "red" day or a "blue" day. On blue days the air is considered good, not by Midwestern standards though. Red days are considered bad air quality and people are prohibited from burning on those days. I'm not sure that is the answer to the problem. So some people don't burn their fireplace for that day. What about the million people who drive their cars to work everyday? Their cars are still putting out pollutants on those "red" days.

Another problem plaguing the city is violence of many sorts. From the drive-by shootings to the gang fights, people living in any part of Denver have to live in some kind of fear. Coming from Wartburg where you can leave your door unlocked and open all day, having my apartment door lock automatically, along with a deadbolt and one more lock, creates a different atmosphere for living. The idea of being mugged or my apartment being broken into is with me everywhere I go.

When I'm walking down the street in Denver, I find myself keeping to myself, not making eye contact with anyone. This is so different from back home. It's easy to say "hi" to people when you meet them on the sidewalk on campus. But here, that sense of trust and commonality is gone. We are just two people among the two million. That thought brings a feeling of insignificance for me, which is both scary and comforting. It is scary because of what can happen to me in the street, but comforting because I can do whatever I want and no one will care or even notice.

Things like the violence and pollution that I am experiencing here everyday make me appreciate where I came from. The safe, friendly and clean life I know back in the Midwest will have a different meaning for me now—a safe haven in the smog of life, maybe.

Leasa Bakken, '95



Baseball team sweeps competitionJoecken pitches no-hitter,  
Knights lift record to 7-2

by Andrew Zalasky

A late arriving snow shower didn't arrive in time to save St. Scholastica's (MN) baseball team from Wartburg's, as the Knights blew them out in a double-header Sunday in Waverly.

Led by a Tom Joecken shutout in the second game, the Knights grabbed early leads in both games to sweep St. Scholastica, 16-3 in the opener, and 9-0 in the second game, which ended just before the snow started to fall.

"We hit the ball well in the first game, and Joecken threw a great second game," shortstop Jody Kies said. "The no-hitter kept us out of the snow."

With the two wins, the Knights boosted their record to 7-2 on the season.

In the opening game, Mike Bossom limited St. Scholastica to one hit in five innings, and was aided by an 11-run outburst in the bottom of the first inning by the Knights.

In the bottom of the first inning, the Knights fell just shy of batting around twice.

Bruce Wall ignited the fireworks with an infield single and then stole second. Wall advanced to third on a Rob Wachholz ground out to the shortstop. Joecken and Mike Lampman both took walks to load the bases.

Martin Timm then smacked a single to right field that scored Wall and Joecken, and

Lampman later scored on a wild pitch.

Six hits and nine runs later, the Knights had all but won the game in the first inning with an 11-0 lead.

Bossom began to falter in the fifth inning and gave up three runs, but Scott Burke came on in relief in the sixth inning to strike out six for the save.

Wall went 3 for 4 with three runs scored, and Timm went 2 for 3 with three runs batted in. Joecken, Wachholz and Lampman all had two RBI's.

Wall, Kies and Andy Gahan each had a stolen base.

In the second game, Joecken saved enough energy to no-hit St. Scholastica. The Knights' right-hander was scathed by only one error and two walks. He struck out eight.

Joecken also supplied offensive punch to help his cause as he went 2 for 3 at the plate, including a three-run double in a five-run first inning.

In the second game, Wall went 2 for 4 with two runs and a stolen base, and Lampman went 2 for 3 with an RBI and one run scored. Wachholz also had a stolen base.

Wartburg opens Iowa Conference competition Thursday, hosting a double-header against Simpson at Hertel Field.



**IT'S ALL IN THE DELIVERY**—Wartburg pitcher Mike Bossom follows through on his pitch in Sunday's game against the St. Scholastica Saints. Bossom gave up one hit in five innings in the Knights' 16-3 win over the Saints. In the second game, Tom Joecken pitched a no-hitter as the Knights won 9-0 to sweep the double-header. The Knights have a 7-2 record. Photo by Joel Becker

**Don't forget!!!—Thursday, the Wartburg softball team opens its home season against Coe College, and the baseball team hosts Simpson to open IAC competition.**

## Softball team keeps collecting wins

by Andrew Zalasky

Wartburg's softball team continued to rack up the wins as it went 4-1 at the Simpson Invitational in Indianola over the weekend.

"This weekend was a total team effort; I'm just impressed with everybody," Coach Robin Hoppenworth said. "The members of the team gained a lot of confidence over the weekend, and they proved to themselves they can play with anybody."

The Knights are 9-3 in all games.

In the 12-team tournament, the Knights opened with a 5-1 loss Friday to Mt. Mercy, but rallied to beat Briar Cliff 3-2, and Northwestern 8-1.

The Knights continued their hot

play Saturday and knocked off Nebraska Wesleyan 4-3, and St. Ambrose 9-3.

Hoppenworth said the invitational was divided into separate pools, and the Knights finished second in their pool. The Knights also tied for the second-best record at the invitational.

After the opening-round loss, Wartburg used a late rally to slip past Briar Cliff for their first win of the invitational.

Lesli Eyestone gave up two runs in the sixth inning that gave Briar Cliff a one-run lead. But the Knights rebounded and scored two runs to pull ahead for the win.

Eyestone, who is 4-0 on the season,

had a 2-0 record over the weekend.

"We played very well as a team," third baseman Jennifer Brandhorst said. "Everyone supported everyone else."

As a team the Knights posted a .350 batting average for the tournament, collecting 36 hits, including 11 for extra bases.

They also received a surprise punch from first-year player Carrie Zuck, who went 9 for 14 in the five games, including two doubles, one triple, three RBI's and two stolen bases.

Hoppenworth said although the Knights' success has come from an overall team effort, she has been especially pleased by the play of Kim

Grimm and Kelly Meyer.

"Kelly does a good job as a leader out there," Hoppenworth said. "As a catcher, she hasn't had anyone steal on her yet. She's 10 for 10 on throwing people out."

Hoppenworth said Grimm, a transfer from Waldorf, has been a big boost for the team and is a versatile player in the field.

Grimm, along with Brandhorst, both hit home runs against Nebraska Wesleyan.

The Knights will face the University of Northern Iowa Wednesday in Cedar Falls, and then play their home opener Thursday against Coe College.

## Fine Print

## TRACK AND FIELD

WARTBURG INVITATIONAL  
SATURDAY  
AT WAVERLY  
Men's results

**Team scoring**—1. Central 213; 2. Wartburg 164; 3. Loras 126; 4. Luther 72; 5. Dubuque 37; 6. Upper Iowa 33; 7. Northwestern (MN) 11; 8. Mount Mercy 2.

**Wartburg results**—HIGH JUMP—2. Gary Arends, 6-2. LONG JUMP—3. Dan Hugo, 20-6.25. SHOT PUT—1. Mike Luebbers, 47-4; 4. Chris Reed, 41-4. DISCUS—4. Chris Spahn, 123-3; 5. Reed, 120-8; 7. Luebbers, 117-3; 8. Jim Thompson, 115-8. TRIPLE JUMP—3. Hugo, 41-2.5. JAVELIN—4. Hugo, 149-7.5; 7. Arends, 136-2. 4X100 RELAY—1. Wartburg (Boblenz, Wiley, McClain Watters), 43.36. STEEPLECHASE—2. Pat Hennes, 10:12. 110 HURDLES—2. Chris Shannon, 15:13. 4. Todd McClain, 16:07. 100—2. Chad Fickbohm, 10:85. 400—5. Steve Boblenz, 51:12. 1,500—2. Derek Oden, 4:04.5. 6. Matt Hanson, 4:09.1; Dion Braet, 4:14.04. 400 HURDLES—2. McClain, 57.75; 7. Dan Freimuth, 1:07.5. 800—Josh Watters, 1:57.63; 4. Matt Wiley, 1:59.55. 5,000—3. Hennes, 15:25.85; 6. Bryan Friedman 15:47.43. 4X400 RELAY—2. Wartburg (Shannon, Boblenz, McClain, Fickbohm), 3:23.81.

## Women's results

**Team scoring**—1. Wartburg 229; 2. Loras 174; 3.

Luther 148; 4. Upper Iowa 26; 5. Winona State 23; 6. Mount Mercy 21; 7. Dubuque 5; 8. Northwestern (MN) 1.

**Wartburg results**—DISCUS—2. Shelly Hammond, 115-11; 3. Deb Wilkinson, 112-11.5. HIGH JUMP—1. Annette Edgren, 5-5; 2. Joy Morrey, 4-8; 3. Angie Knips, 4-6. LONG JUMP—2. Angie Cornelius, 16-0.5; 4. Denise McMillin, 15-7; 7. Sarah Zimmermann, 14-5.5. SHOT PUT—1. Wendy Ahrendsen, 39-9.75; 5. Wilkinson, 35-8; 6. Hammond, 35-5.75. TRIPLE JUMP—1. Sarah Zimmermann, 29-0; 4. Morrey, 29-8.5; 5. Beth Holst, 29-8. JAVELIN—8. Heather Fink, 74-5. 4X100 RELAY—1. Wartburg (Cornelius, Fink, McMillin, Kimball), 50.6. 5,000—1. Robyn Olson, 18:21.16; 5. Tammy Hildebrand, 20:36.87; 6. Shannon McNamara, 21:09.89. 1,500—1. Esther Dubec, 4:51; 3. Laura Garton, 4:56; 4. Julie Kesi, 5:04. 400—1. Lea Lucas, 1:01.51; 6. Leah Lenhard, 1:05.2. 100 HURDLES—4. Cornelius, 16:59. 800—1. Dubec, 2:21.75; 5. Kesi, 2:28.49; 7. Holly Good, 2:33.01; 8. Knips, 2:33.03. 400 HURDLES—1. Holst, 1:08.1. 100—3. McMillin, 12:68; 6. Kimball, 12:97. 200—1. McMillin 26.79; 6. Kimball, 28.25; 8. Lucas, 28.54. 3,000—1. Olson, 10:24.03; 3. Garton, 10:51.29; 7. Rachel Edmonds, 12:31.29. 4X400 RELAY—1. Wartburg (Holst, Lucas, Jeni Keat, Dubec), 4:11.63.

## MEN'S TENNIS

TUESDAY  
AT WINONA, MN

## Winona State 6, Wartburg 3

**Singles**—Artega (W) def. Adams, 6-2, 1-6, 6-1; Dolezal (WA) def. Locher, 6-1, 6-4; Sanderman (WA) def. Jensen, 6-3, 6-1; Barrett (W) def. Trow, 6-3, 6-1; Nelson (W) def. Tjaden, 6-3, 6-0; Hanson (W) def. Brandt, 6-1, 6-2.

**Doubles**—Adams-Tjaden def. Nelson-Locher, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3; Barrett-Artega def. Trow-Sanderman, 7-6, 6-2; Jensen-Hanson def. Dolezal-Brandt, 6-2, 6-2.

SATURDAY  
AT PELLA

## Central 6, Wartburg 3

**Singles**—Redenius (C) def. Adams, 6-3, 6-3; Klanderma (C) def. Dolezal, 6-3, 6-3; Madden (C) def. Sanderman, 6-3, 6-4; Schanenburg (C) def. Trow, 7-6, 6-7, 6-0; Tjaden (W) def. Cabral, 5-7, 6-2, 6-3; Warner (C) def. Wissman, 6-3, 6-3.

**Doubles**—Adams-Tjaden def. Klanderma-Redenius, 7-6, 4-6, 7-6; Madden-Schanenburg def. Trow-Sanderman, 6-3, 6-0; Dolezal-Brandt def. Murphy-Warner, 6-3, 7-6.

## BASEBALL

SUNDAY  
AT WAVERLY

## WARTBURG 16, ST. SCHOLASTICA 3

St. Scholastica 0 0 0 0 3 0 0 — 3 2 5  
Wartburg 11 5 0 0 0 0 X — 16 14 2

McCloud and Jackson; Bossom and Lampman. W—Bossom. L—McCloud. S—Burke.

## WARTBURG 9, ST. SCHOLASTICA 0

St. Scholastica 0 0 0 0 0 0 — 0 0 1  
Wartburg 5 2 0 1 1 0 X — 9 7 1

Sickler and Buller. Joecken and Lampman. W—Joecken. L—Sickler.

## SOFTBALL

SIMPSON INVITATIONAL  
FRIDAY/SATURDAY  
AT INDIANOLA

**MOUNT MERCY 5, WARTBURG 1**  
Wartburg 0 0 0 0 0 1 — 1 8 1  
Mt. Mercy 0 0 2 3 0 0 X — 5 11 1  
Dole and Meyer; Kropfmer and Cagley. W—Kropfmer. L—Dole.

**WARTBURG 3, BRIAR CLIFF 2**  
Wartburg 0 0 0 1 0 2 — 3 6 2  
Briar Cliff 0 0 0 0 2 — 2 6 2  
Eyestone, Dole (6) and Meyer; Carney and Goodrich. W—Eyestone. L—Carney. S—Dole.

\*Complete softball line scores were not available at press time



# Track teams dominate home invite

by Suzanne N. Behnke

Wartburg's men's and women's track teams opened their outdoor season Saturday with strong finishes at the Wartburg Invitational in Waverly.

The men finished second with 164 points, 49 points behind champion Central, while the women took first over second-place Loras, 229-174.

"I was pleased overall with the competitiveness of the teams," Coach Steve Johnson said. "A home meet gets people going."

The men took first in several events, including Mike Luebbers in the shot put with a throw of 41-4, and the 100-meter relay of Chris Shannon, Steve Boblenz, Todd McClain, and Chad Fickbohm marking in at 43.36.

Johnson said he was impressed with the second-place performance of the 400 relay team of Boblenz, McClain, Matt Wiley, and Josh Watters. The team clocked a time of 3:23.81.

"I didn't realize those guys are as good as they are," Johnson said.

Johnson said many performed lifetime bests. Dan Hugo beat his personal best in the javelin by 10 feet with a throw of 149-7.5.

For the women, first-place finishers were in the shot put

by Wendy Ahrendsen with a throw of 39-9.75, and the 100 relay team of Angie Cornelius, Heather Fink, Denise McMillin, and Nikki Kimball with a time of 50.6.

Ahrendsen said of her finish, "The throwing competition has gotten a lot deeper than in past years."

Ahrendsen also said there were more people at the meet to support the team, which inspired her to do better.

Annette Edgren also won the high jump with a jump of 5-5. The jump qualifies Edgren for the national meet.

Robyn Olson took first in the 5,000 and 3,000 with times of 18:21.16 and 10:24, respectively, and Esther Dubec captured the title in the 1,500 with a 4:51 mark.

Lea Lucas clocked in with a 1:01.59 to win the 400 and Dubec won the 800 with a time of 2:21.75. In the 400 hurdles, Beth Holst won in 1:08.1, and in the 200, McMillin won in 26.79.

Rounding out the women's first-place finishes was the 400 relay team of Holst, Lucas, Jeni Keat, and Dubec in 4:11.63.

"Esther had a very good day," Johnson said. "She's maturing very nicely as an athlete."

After a week break, the teams will participate in the Norse Relays April 9.



**YOU GET OUT OF IT WHAT YOU PUT INTO IT**—(above) Wartburg's Sarah Zimmermann puts her all into her long jump, while (below left) Pat Hennes gives an indication as to how cold the water is in the 3,000 steeplechase at the Wartburg Invitational Saturday in Waverly. While Zimmermann placed seventh in the long jump, she captured the title in the triple jump with a 29-0 mark as the women took first. Hennes grabbed second in the steeplechase with a time of 10:12, and the men took second in the team competition as well. For complete results, see Fine Print, page 6.

Photos by Dan Digmann



## Netters drop two road contests

by Jeni Keat

It was a tough week on the road for the Wartburg men's tennis team as it returned home with two dual-meet losses.

The Knights lost to Winona State University Tuesday 6-3 at Winona, MN, and fell to Iowa Conference foe Central College Saturday 6-3 at Pella.

"We need more consistency," player Tim Tjaden said. "We're playing more relaxed, but we need to step up in the closer matches and avoid mental breakdowns."

Tjaden said Coach Bob Pagel's ability to push the mental part of the game and keep his players' minds in their matches will help produce the consistency the Knights need.

Tuesday against Winona

State University, Steve Dolezal won the No. 2 singles spot 6-1, 6-4. Dan Sanderman was the only other men singles winner with a 6-3, 6-1 victory in the No. 3 position.

But the No. 1 doubles combination of Brandon Adams and Tjaden found what it took to win as they pulled off a 6-2, 3-6, 6-3 victory.

Saturday, Wartburg stayed within the Iowa Conference with a trip to Pella, but Tjaden said the Knights had to battle more than just the Central Flying Dutch.

"Right away we were at the disadvantage," Tjaden said. "Their coach chose to play the matches indoor on a surface our team is not accustomed to playing on."

Tjaden was the lone singles winner for Wartburg with a 5-

7, 6-2, 6-3 victory in the No. 5 singles.

Adams and Tjaden again won in doubles action, edging out their opponents 7-6, 4-6, 7-6. The duo of Dolezal and Mark Brandt also came up on the winning end with a 6-3, 7-6 win at the No. 3 doubles spot.

Tjaden said the team may have been able to play better had the meet taken place outdoors.

The Knights will work to improve their record this week with a meet Wednesday against William Penn at Waverly.

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# Strickert surprised by teaching award

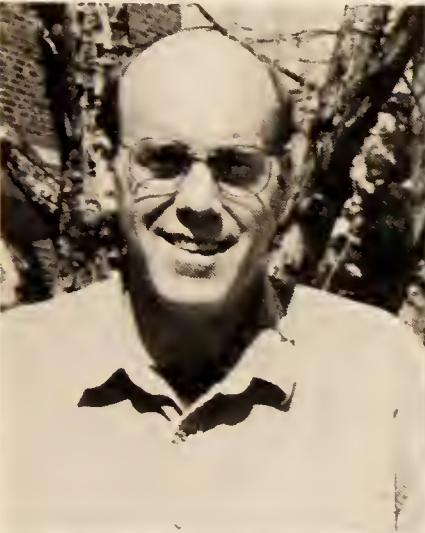
by Joel H. Becker

Dr. Fred Strickert, associate professor of religion and the 1994 recipient of The Student Award For Teaching Excellence, advises future teachers to keep working.

"I was ready to quit after my first semester," he said.

When Strickert was notified about receiving the award, he said, "I was honestly totally surprised. . . I wish others could share this kind of thing."

He said students appreciate their professors, but don't often express it.



**TEACHING EXCELLENCE**—Dr. Fred Strickert said that he is lucky that students are showing appreciation for him. He wishes other professors could share in it.

"I am lucky, in this case, that it is coming back to me," Strickert said.

Strickert will receive the Student Award for Teaching Excellence and speak at convocation Tuesday, March 29, at 9:30 a.m. in Neumann Auditorium. His speech is titled "My Deep Gladness."

Strickert grew up in Missouri. In college, he said coaching interested him because he played basketball in high school and college. Two professors who pushed him and took an interest in him made him decide to become a teacher.

Strickert got his graduate degree and went on to seminary. He said he could have gone to a congregation, but instead was assigned to Papua New Guinea where he began teaching.

"The teaching over there was a different kind of teaching," Strickert said.

He said his students didn't speak English and there was very little material provided. He used creative methods to improve the students' learning and also wrote textbooks for them.

While in New Guinea, Strickert taught in the midst of tribal fighting. One night, a tribe set fire to a classroom and a dormitory. Most of the students and other teachers left, but Strickert stayed.

Some students were close to graduating, so he drove to their villages to help them finish.

"Teaching is oftentimes going to yours students," he said.

It was there in New Guinea that Strickert decided to pursue college-level teaching.

Strickert said he lives and teaches by the concept of stewardship.

"What we accomplish in life is not . . .

***"The students are the most important part. The professor is the steward of the student."***

—Fred Strickert

for the material reward," he said. "The students are the most important part. The professor is the steward of the student."

Strickert said that scenario is much like that of Christ and the disciples. Christ was a steward to them. Students seem to appreciate the pro-student attitude Strickert brings to the classroom.

"He makes you think" Jenny Bye, '95, said. "He teaches for the student." She also said he is often seen at campus events. "He's involved with what the students are involved in," Bye said.

Strickert said we often turn into workaholics. He said there are two kinds of workaholics; those who work for themselves, and those who work to help others.

Strickert uses comics such as "Calvin and Hobbes," "The Far Side" and the soap opera "Days of Our

Lives" to illustrate life to students.

"The comics are great," he said. "It lightens you up. When you're in a happier mood, you're more receptive to learning."

Strickert said the characters Calvin and Hobbes actually provoke thought. He said they were named after the religious leader John Calvin and the philosopher Thomas Hobbes. "The Far Side" also makes people think and always contains something that makes people look twice, he said.

But Strickert's favorite tool is "Days of Our Lives." He said it is "in a long shot, the best show on television today." He watches the daytime soap on breaks and hears about the latest happenings from students.

"It imitates life and raises questions about what life is about," he said.

Strickert relates the resurrection of Christ to the resurrection of a few of the main characters on "Days."

He also learns about life through exercise. "I can't live without racquetball and jogging," he said.

Exercise makes one feel better both physically and psychologically, Strickert said. He said jogging helps to clear the mind and racquetball relieves frustrations by "pounding this little ball."

Strickert's wife, Gloria, is the chaplain at a nursing home and is working on her nursing degree. They have three children, the eldest a college junior.

# Victorian Tea Room finds home in Shell Rock

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Craft displays where a hand-operated elevator once stood and a 1920s style soda fountain where washing machines once ran. Tables graced with floral tablecloths underlying glass tops. Soft music playing while fresh, homemade pastries and soup are being made in the kitchen. This creation finds its home in a structure older than Luther Hall.

Near Waverly is the small town of Shell Rock. Many students find themselves going through it or past it on their way home. Without stopping to look around at the Main Street stores in Shell Rock, one would never guess that Maude's Tea Room and Pleasant-ries is located there.

At 228 Cherry St, Maude's Tea Room makes its home as both restaurant and antique and craft shop. It is a great

place to take parents when they visit, to find mom a perfect gift, or to simply relax and have a bite to eat.

Leta Arndt, '97, visited Maude's a few months ago with her boyfriend's mother, who is from Jesup.

"Inside, the atmosphere is very quaint and dainty," Leta Arndt, '97, said. "There are antiques and dolls you can buy, but it doesn't look like a store."

Wartburg students can thank Deb Hobson, the sole proprietor of the establishment, for the opportunity to experience Maude's pleasant, Victorian atmosphere.

Hobson quit her job as an x-ray technician to fulfill her goal of having her very own tea room. Hobson said she planned to buy a one-room schoolhouse and move it into the area, but the cost made her reconsider.

When she bought the building, it

was a beauty shop in front and a laundromat in the back. The building required a lot of remodeling. Hobson did most of it herself, with the help of a few friends.

"I spent an average of 40 hours per week for a year and a half," Hobson said.

Unfortunately, Hobson experienced some setbacks on making her dream come true. On April 10, 1993, two weeks before the opening, fire destroyed some chairs, antiques, walls and floors that had just been refurbished. Hobson said the chemicals she was using caused the fire.

"It was sickening and devastating to do all that work, and to have no one see it," Hobson said.

With help from the insurance agency, work on Maude's Tea Room began again.

Maude's finally opened in October

1993 and now contains over \$15,000 worth of crafts and antiques for sale.

In the front of the building are tables and chairs set up to accommodate breakfast and lunch guests from Monday through Saturday.

"They have a board set out that lists the things they are serving for the day," Arndt said. "They had a soup of the day and about four or five meals to choose from. If you want a quiet meal and a different atmosphere, it's a good place to visit."

Maude's is set in a building which has been standing since the early 1900s. In the '50s the building was a hardware store, and the faded advertisement can still be seen on the side of the building. It still attracts people, especially from out of town, Hobson said.

"Most of my advertising is done by word of mouth," she said.

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